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PATENT APPLICATION  
Docket No. 16497.43

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of	)	
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T. Daniel Gross, et al.	)	
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Filed:	December 21, 2001	)
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Confirmation No.:	2036	)
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For:	SUTURE TRIMMER	)
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Examiner:	Diane D. Yabut	)
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TRANSMITTAL FOR AMENDMENT "I"  
AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION  
OF TIME

VIA eFILE RCE  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 for the above-identified application.

A. Enclosed

- X RCE Transmittal
- X An Amendment "I" and Response for entry in the present application.
- X To render this RCE and Amendment timely filed, enclosed is the following:
  - X Petition for a one (1)-Month Extension of Time.

B. Payments

- ☒ E-filer with RAM will be used for submission of payment in the amount of \$940.00 to cover the following fees:
- ☒ the \$810.00 RCE filing fee pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.17(e); and
- ☒ the \$130.00 petition fee for the 1-month extension of time.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-3178.
- ☒ Any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16.
- ☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17.
- ☒ Any post-issuance fees under 37 CFR 1.20.
- ☒ If any additional extension of time is required, which has not otherwise been requested, please consider this a petition under 37 CFR 1.136 (a) to extend the reply period for this communication and charge any additional fees that may be required to Deposit Account No. 23-3178.

Please address all future correspondence in connection with the above-identified patent application to the attention of the undersigned.

Dated this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

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